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## PSV Survey Finance Data

This is a supplement to the [Transport Statistics Bulletin](#) published on 8 September 2005. The Public Service Vehicle (PSV) annual survey of bus operators for 2004/05 was split into two parts, mainly in order to collect and publish the patronage data earlier than in previous years. The finance data were collected afterwards in a separate part of the survey, to allow operators time to produce and extract data from their annual accounts.

### National Statistics

Data in this supplement to the Bulletin are National Statistics.

### Other information

It is not possible to publish all of the information that has been collected, in order to protect commercial confidentiality of transport operators. Some unpublished material is available on request, subject to resources and confidentiality constraints. Details are available from

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## Key results

### Bus operators' revenue

- Local bus revenue, passenger receipts and reimbursement to operators for concessionary fares, increased by 4 per cent in real terms in Great Britain to £3,519 million in 2004/05. It had been £3,394 million in 2003/04 (Table 1). Revenue in GB as a whole, including concessionary fare reimbursement to operators, was around 76 pence per passenger boarding.
- London's bus revenue, for the network run by Transport for London, increased by 10 per cent in real terms in the year in 2004/05, to £871 million, up from £791 million in the previous year. Revenue in London has risen by nearly 40 per cent over the last decade. It was equivalent to about 49 pence per passenger boarding (Table 1).
- TfL's Report and Accounts for 2004/05 state that additional bus fare revenue resulted from an increase of around 4 per cent on travelcards and an increase of around 13 per cent on bus only tickets.
- Revenue in Scotland and Wales increased in real terms on the previous year by 5 per cent and 3 per cent respectively (Table 1).
- Concessionary fare reimbursement to bus operators rose to £595 million in Great Britain in 2004/05 (See Tables 2, 3 and 4). In England, provisional estimates from local authority returns made to the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) indicate that it was £469 million, up 2 per cent in real terms on 2003/04.
- In Scotland, concessionary fare reimbursement to operators rose, owing to full funding of free travel for older people on buses by the Scottish Executive, introduced in September 2002. It was £89 million, up 2 per cent in real terms. In Wales, although spending had increased substantially in 2002/03 after free fares for the elderly was introduced in April 2002, the provisional amount for reimbursement in 2004/05 fell slightly in real terms, by 2 per cent, to £37 million. The free fares schemes in Scotland and Wales have both been widened in scope since they were first introduced.
- About a third of bus and coach operators' revenue is from activities other than local bus services, such as school contract work, private hire, airport express, holiday services, long distance coach work, tours and excursions. In 2004/05 this fell by one per cent in real terms to £1,603 million (Table 6).

### Bus operators' costs

- Local bus operations in Great Britain cost £1.20 per kilometre or 68 pence per passenger boarding in 2004/05 (Table 1). The largest component of operating costs was fuel and drivers' wages which came to around 80 per cent of costs, after allowing for the rebate on fuel duty in the form of Bus Service Operators Grant (BSOG), previously called Fuel Duty Rebate.

- BSOG in GB increased from £408 million in 2003/04 (£416 million at 2004/05 prices) to £430 million in 2004/05, a real terms rise of 3 per cent (Table 2). BSOG paid for local bus services in London was £91 million in 2004/05. The spend for England in 2004/05 was £359 million. In Scotland it was £56 million and in Wales it was £15 million. BSOG was made available to some community bus services and long distance coach services, when concessionary fare reimbursement was extended to coach passengers aged 60 and over.
- In England as a whole, it cost operators £1.28 to run each local bus kilometre in 2004/05. It cost 68 pence per passenger boarding. In London, costs were much higher per bus kilometre run, at over £2.20. But bus patronage has grown in the capital, so the cost per passenger boarding was lower than in other areas, at 58 pence.
- The other components of local bus operating costs are administration costs, at around 12 per cent for GB as a whole in 2004/05, and depreciation of vehicles, which was about 8 per cent of costs.

#### Tram and light rail revenue

- Light rail and tram systems in England increased their revenue in total by 9 per cent in 2004/05, to £140 million (Table 1). In London, Docklands Light Railway reported over £40 million in revenue, a rise of 5 per cent on the previous year (TfL's Report and Accounts state that some £30 million of that revenue was collected by franchise operators who manage the DLR network). The Nottingham Express Transit tram reported £5.9 million in revenue for its first year of operation.
- The largest light rail system outside London in terms of revenue was the Tyne & Wear Metro, which reported £32 million in 2004/05.

#### Sources of data

Most of the receipts and cost data are taken from the Department's annual surveys of bus, coach, light rail and tram operators. Details are given in Annex A. Support for bus services and concessionary fare reimbursement are from returns made by local authorities to ODPM. For 2004/05, returns to ODPM are incomplete, so the published data are budget estimates. Data for London's bus services appear in TfL's Annual Report and Accounts 2004/05.

**Table 1****Local transport: summary**

	Local bus services						Great Britain	Light rail and trams in England	Bus, light rail and trams in England
	London	English PTE areas	English non-PTE areas	England	Scotland	Wales			
<b>Passenger journeys by mode and area (millions)</b>									
1994/95	1,155	1,330	1,273	3,758	513	132	4,403	69	<b>3,827</b>
1995/96	1,193	1,292	1,260	3,745	494	127	4,366	73	<b>3,818</b>
1996/97	1,230	1,246	1,260	3,736	467	130	4,333	78	<b>3,814</b>
1997/98	1,281	1,232	1,243	3,755	438	120	4,313	84	<b>3,839</b>
1998/99	1,266	1,195	1,242	3,702	413	116	4,231	89	<b>3,792</b>
1999/00	1,294	1,178	1,250	3,722	442	114	4,278	98	<b>3,821</b>
2000/01	1,347	1,166	1,247	3,761	443	116	4,319	124	<b>3,885</b>
2001/02	1,422	1,154	1,222	3,798	449	104	4,352	132	<b>3,931</b>
2002/03	1,527	1,145	1,210	3,882	452	110	4,444	141	<b>4,022</b>
2003/04	1,692	1,114	1,189	3,995	457	111	4,564	147	<b>4,142</b>
2004/05	1,782	1,083	1,167	4,032	465	113	4,609	159	<b>4,190</b>
<i>Percentage change over:</i>									
<i>1 year</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>-3</i>	<i>-2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>10 years</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>-19</i>	<i>-8</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>-9</i>	<i>-15</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>131</i>	<i>10</i>
<b>Passenger receipts by area (£million at 2004/05 prices) <sup>1</sup></b>									
1994/95	637	847	1,072	2,555	381	101	3,037	54	<b>2,609</b>
1995/96	652	825	1,052	2,528	368	102	2,998	61	<b>2,589</b>
1996/97	687	816	1,051	2,554	352	100	3,006	67	<b>2,621</b>
1997/98	710	851	1,072	2,633	351	96	3,081	72	<b>2,706</b>
1998/99	719	826	1,071	2,616	345	98	3,060	..	<b>..</b>
1999/00	737	792	1,095	2,624	354	100	3,078	..	<b>..</b>
2000/01	740	831	1,156	2,727	370	110	3,207	107	<b>2,835</b>
2001/02	752	829	1,166	2,747	349	106	3,202	115	<b>2,862</b>
2002/03	758	824	1,191	2,773	372	110	3,254	127	<b>2,900</b>
2003/04	791	829	1,303	2,923	364	107	3,394	128	<b>3,051</b>
2004/05	871	846	1,311	3,029	381	110	3,519	140	<b>3,169</b>
<i>Percentage change over:</i>									
<i>1 year</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>10 years</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>160</i>	<i>21</i>
<b>Vehicle kilometres by area (millions)</b>									
1994/95	356	720	1,080	2,156	369	125	2,650	12	<b>2,167</b>
1995/96	353	695	1,102	2,150	350	123	2,623	13	<b>2,163</b>
1996/97	342	692	1,116	2,150	368	120	2,638	14	<b>2,164</b>
1997/98	362	697	1,083	2,142	368	117	2,628	14	<b>2,157</b>
1998/99	358	684	1,123	2,165	358	118	2,642	14	<b>2,180</b>
1999/00	366	661	1,160	2,186	363	123	2,673	17	<b>2,203</b>
2000/01	373	656	1,134	2,164	369	126	2,659	20	<b>2,183</b>
2001/02	379	647	1,102	2,128	368	126	2,622	20	<b>2,148</b>
2002/03	406	631	1,082	2,119	374	123	2,616	22	<b>2,141</b>
2003/04	474	596	1,063	2,133	369	113	2,615	22	<b>2,155</b>
2004/05	470	575	1,088	2,133	366	116	2,614	22	<b>2,155</b>
<i>Percentage change:</i>									
<i>1 year</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>-3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-2</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>10 years</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>-20</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>-8</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>86</i>	<i>-1</i>

Source: PSV and light rail operators

<sup>1</sup> Series adjusted to 2004/05 prices by the RPI deflator for London data, GDP deflator outside London.

**Table 1 continued**

**Local transport: summary**

	London	English PTE areas	English non-PTE areas	England	Scotland	Wales	Great Britain	GB outside London
<b>Local bus operating costs per vehicle kilometre by area: (Pence at 2004/05 prices) <sup>1</sup></b>								
1994/95	190	115	98	119	102	86	115	103
1995/96	177	115	95	115	100	89	112	102
1996/97	188	114	90	110	89	79	107	96
1997/98	180	107	90	109	88	84	105	96
1998/99	178	104	91	108	89	85	105	97
1999/00	178	104	91	108	82	83	104	92
2000/01	184	112	97	117	87	85	111	99
2001/02	193	114	102	120	91	84	114	103
2002/03	215	110	93	120	84	88	113	97
2003/04	216	116	101	129	81	84	120	101
2004/05	221	118	94	128	86	82	120	98
<i>Percentage change:</i>								
<i>1 year</i>	2	2	-7	-1	6	-3	0	-3
<i>10 years</i>	16	3	-4	8	-16	-5	4	-5
<b>Local bus operating costs per passenger boarding by area: (Pence at 2004/05 prices) <sup>1</sup></b>								
1994/95	58	62	83	68	74	83	68	67
1995/96	51	61	83	65	72	87	67	68
1996/97	53	62	80	64	70	73	66	68
1997/98	51	59	78	63	73	82	64	67
1998/99	49	60	81	63	76	84	66	69
1999/00	49	59	78	62	69	84	63	69
2000/01	49	63	87	67	73	92	68	76
2001/02	49	64	91	67	76	90	69	79
2002/03	54	61	84	66	71	85	66	73
2003/04	57	67	87	68	71	86	69	76
2004/05	58	63	88	68	68	84	68	75
<i>Percentage change:</i>								
<i>1 year</i>	2	-5	1	0	-4	-3	-1	-2
<i>10 years</i>	0	2	7	-1	-8	2	-1	12

Source: PSV operators

<sup>1</sup> Series adjusted to 2004/05 prices by the RPI deflator for London data, or GDP deflator outside London.

**Table 2****Support and grants for local bus services in GB**

£ million

	Payments by or for passengers		Payments for services		All support
	Revenue from local bus services <sup>1</sup>	of which Concessionary fare reimbursement <sup>2</sup>	Public transport support	Bus Service Operators Grant	Payments for services and concessionary fare reimbursement
<b>a) At current prices</b>					
1994/95	2,362	425	272	224	921
1995/96	2,396	431	251	229	911
1996/97	2,486	432	236	228	896
1997/98	2,624	437	218	227	882
1998/99	2,675	443	265	271	979
1999/00	2,743	445	284	333	1,062
2000/01	2,894	461	383	362	1,206
2001/02	2,962	483	501	364	1,348
2002/03	3,105	521	748	378	1,647
2003/04	3,324	571	933	408	1,912
2004/05 <sup>3</sup>	3,519	595	939	430	1,964
<i>Percentage change over:</i>					
<i>1 year</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>10 years</i>	<i>49</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>245</i>	<i>92</i>	<i>113</i>
<b>b) At 2004/05 prices <sup>4</sup></b>					
1994/95	3,037	547	351	288	1,186
1995/96	2,998	539	314	286	1,140
1996/97	3,006	523	285	276	1,084
1997/98	3,081	514	255	266	1,035
1998/99	3,060	507	303	310	1,120
1999/00	3,078	501	318	374	1,193
2000/01	3,207	510	424	401	1,335
2001/02	3,202	522	542	393	1,457
2002/03	3,254	547	789	396	1,732
2003/04	3,394	584	958	416	1,958
2004/05 <sup>3</sup>	3,519	595	939	430	1,964
<i>Percentage change over:</i>					
<i>1 year</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>-2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>10 years</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>168</i>	<i>49</i>	<i>66</i>

1 Includes revenue from off-bus ticket sales and concessionary fare reimbursement.

Source : ODPM,

2 Small amounts for concessionary fares other than bus are included.

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3 Budget estimates for 2004/05.

4 Adjusted for general inflation using the GDP market price deflator.

**Table 3****Concessionary fare reimbursement by area (for local buses)<sup>1, 2</sup>**

£ million

	London	English PTE areas	English non-PTE counties	England	Scotland	Wales	Great Britain	England outside London	GB outside London and PTEs
<b>a) At current prices</b>									
1994/95	100	177	99	376	41	8	<b>425</b>	276	148
1995/96	103	177	102	382	40	9	<b>431</b>	279	151
1996/97	106	174	102	382	40	9	<b>432</b>	276	151
1997/98	110	176	104	390	39	8	<b>437</b>	280	151
1998/99	113	176	103	393	42	8	<b>443</b>	280	154
1999/00	117	175	102	394	41	10	<b>445</b>	277	153
2000/01	119	183	113	415	35	11	<b>461</b>	296	159
2001/02	129	183	122	435	35	13	<b>483</b>	305	171
2002/03	128	181	122	431	60	30	<b>521</b>	303	212
2003/04	132	185	131	448	86	37	<b>571</b>	316	254
2004/05 <sup>3</sup>	140	191	138	469	89	37	<b>595</b>	329	264
<i>Percentage change over:</i>									
<i>1 year</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>10 years</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>117</i>	<i>365</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>78</i>
<b>b) At 2004/05 prices<sup>4</sup></b>									
1994/95	129	228	127	484	53	10	<b>547</b>	355	190
1995/96	129	221	128	478	50	11	<b>539</b>	349	189
1996/97	130	211	123	464	48	11	<b>523</b>	334	183
1997/98	130	207	122	459	46	9	<b>514</b>	328	177
1998/99	130	202	118	450	48	9	<b>507</b>	320	176
1999/00	132	196	114	443	46	11	<b>501</b>	311	172
2000/01	131	203	125	459	39	13	<b>510</b>	328	177
2001/02	140	198	132	470	38	14	<b>522</b>	330	184
2002/03	136	190	128	453	63	31	<b>547</b>	317	222
2003/04	137	189	134	459	87	38	<b>584</b>	323	259
2004/05 <sup>3</sup>	140	191	138	469	89	37	<b>595</b>	329	264
<i>Percentage change over:</i>									
<i>1 year</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>-2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>10 years</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>-16</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>-3</i>	<i>69</i>	<i>261</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>-7</i>	<i>39</i>

1 From administrative returns of local authorities and Passenger Transport Authorities. Includes local authority administration costs. Source : Local authority returns to ODPM, TfL and PTAs

2 Concessionary fare schemes for elderly people, children and disabled people.

3 Budget estimates in 2004/05.

4 Adjusted for general inflation using the RPI for London data or GDP market price deflator for other data.

**Table 4****Concessionary fare reimbursement by area (bus and other modes)<sup>1,2</sup>**

£ million

	London				English metropolitan areas			Scotland		
	Local Bus	Under-ground	DLR and Tramlink	All	Local Bus	Metros, other, ferries	All	Local Bus	Ferries, Underg'd	All
<b>a) At current prices</b>										
1994/95	100	20	1	121	177	15	192	41	4	45
1995/96	103	18	3	124	177	13	190	40	4	44
1996/97	106	18	3	127	174	18	192	40	4	44
1997/98	110	20	3	133	176	20	196	39	3	42
1998/99	113	23	3	139	176	20	196	42	3	45
1999/00	117	25	3	145	175	19	194	41	6	47
2000/01	119	26	4	149	183	19	202	35	5	40
2001/02	129	28	3	160	183	20	203	35	4	39
2002/03	128	29	3	160	181	20	201	60	5	65
2003/04	132	32	3	167	185	18	203	86	5	91
2004/05 <sup>3</sup>	140	32	3	175	191	18	209	89	5	94
<i>Percentage change over:</i>										
<i>1 year</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>10 years</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>174</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>117</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>109</i>
<b>b) At 2004/05 prices<sup>4</sup></b>										
1994/95	129	26	1	157	228	19	247	53	5	58
1995/96	129	23	4	155	221	16	238	50	5	55
1996/97	130	22	4	155	210	22	232	48	5	53
1997/98	130	24	4	158	207	23	230	46	4	49
1998/99	130	26	3	160	201	23	224	48	3	51
1999/00	132	28	3	164	196	21	218	46	7	53
2000/01	131	29	4	164	203	21	224	39	6	44
2001/02	140	30	3	173	198	22	220	38	4	42
2002/03	136	31	3	170	190	21	211	63	5	68
2003/04	137	33	3	172	189	18	207	87	5	93
2004/05 <sup>3</sup>	140	32	3	175	191	18	209	89	5	94
<i>Percentage change over:</i>										
<i>1 year</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>-3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>-2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>-2</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>10 years</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>112</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>-16</i>	<i>-7</i>	<i>-15</i>	<i>69</i>	<i>-3</i>	<i>62</i>

1 From administrative returns of local authorities and Passenger Transport Authorities. Includes local authority administration costs.

Source : Local authority returns to ODPM, TfL and PTAs

2 The split between bus and other modes is not stated in the returns to ODPM, so the allocation is estimated.

3 Budget estimates in 2004/05.

4 Adjusted for general inflation using the RPI for London data or GDP market price deflator for other data.

**Table 5****Public transport support<sup>1</sup> for local bus services by area**

£ million

	London <sup>2</sup>	English PTE areas	English non-PTE counties	England	Scotland	Wales	Great Britain	England outside London	GB outside London and PTEs
<b>a) At current prices</b>									
1994/95	55	100	87	242	22	8	<b>272</b>	187	117
1995/96	30	100	87	217	25	9	<b>251</b>	187	121
1996/97	12	106	83	201	26	8	<b>236</b>	189	118
1997/98	1	98	86	185	23	9	<b>218</b>	184	118
1998/99	12	109	110	231	22	11	<b>265</b>	219	143
1999/00	10	109	127	246	25	14	<b>284</b>	236	165
2000/01	84	120	136	340	28	16	<b>383</b>	256	179
2001/02	186	121	142	449	33	20	<b>501</b>	263	195
2002/03	421	106	165	692	35	21	<b>748</b>	271	221
2003/04	560	113	187	859	51	23	<b>933</b>	299	261
2004/05 <sup>3</sup>	545	117	192	854	60	25	<b>939</b>	309	277
<i>Percentage change over:</i>									
<i>1 year</i>	-3	4	3	-1	16	9	1	3	6
<i>10 years</i>	891	17	121	253	169	213	245	65	136
<b>b) At 2004/05 prices<sup>4</sup></b>									
1994/95	71	129	112	312	29	10	<b>351</b>	240	151
1995/96	38	125	109	272	31	11	<b>314</b>	234	151
1996/97	14	128	101	243	32	10	<b>285</b>	229	143
1997/98	1	115	101	217	27	11	<b>255</b>	216	139
1998/99	14	125	125	264	26	13	<b>303</b>	251	164
1999/00	11	122	142	276	28	15	<b>318</b>	264	185
2000/01	92	133	151	376	30	17	<b>424</b>	284	198
2001/02	201	130	154	485	35	22	<b>542</b>	284	211
2002/03	446	111	173	730	37	22	<b>789</b>	284	232
2003/04	577	115	191	882	52	23	<b>958</b>	306	267
2004/05 <sup>3</sup>	545	117	192	854	60	25	<b>939</b>	309	277
<i>Percentage change over:</i>									
<i>1 year</i>	-6	2	1	-3	14	6	-2	1	4
<i>10 years</i>	666	-9	72	174	109	143	168	28	84

1 From administrative returns from local authorities and Passenger Transport Authorities. Includes administrative costs, Rural Bus Subsidy Grant, Urban Bus Grant and Bus Challenge funding.

Sources: ODPM Local authority data, TfL, GOL and PTAs

2 London support is funded by TfL. Before 1994/95 the London bus fleet was all in the public sector. The falls in support in the mid 1990s reflect the sale of the bus fleet to the private sector. In recent years TfL, as the tendering authority for the network, has increased its bus services by contracts with private sector bus operators.

3 Budget estimates for 2004/05.

4 Adjusted for general inflation using the RPI for London data or GDP market price deflator for non London data.

**Table 6****Bus receipts and bus kilometres on local and non-local services**

	Passenger receipts <sup>1</sup> (2004/05 prices) <sup>2</sup>					Vehicle kilometres				
	Local		Other		All	Local		Other		All
	£ million	%	£ million	%	£ million	millions	%	millions	%	millions
1960	3,836	85	664	15	4,500	3,179	83	632	17	3,811
1961	3,892	85	688	15	4,580	..	..	..	..	..
1962	3,896	85	687	15	4,583	..	..	..	..	..
1963	3,913	85	687	15	4,600	..	..	..	..	..
1964	3,935	85	698	15	4,633	..	..	..	..	..
1965	3,780	84	728	16	4,508	3,023	81	720	19	3,743
1966	3,775	84	741	16	4,516	..	..	..	..	..
1967	3,645	83	762	17	4,407	..	..	..	..	..
1968	3,585	82	776	18	4,362	2,825	78	800	22	3,625
1969	3,484	82	783	18	4,266	2,745	77	814	23	3,559
1970	3,506	82	763	18	4,269	2,623	76	840	24	3,463
1971	3,673	82	795	18	4,468	2,601	75	854	25	3,455
1972	3,588	81	817	19	4,406	2,511	74	905	26	3,416
1973	3,523	81	852	19	4,375	2,461	72	965	28	3,426
1974	3,374	78	935	22	4,309	2,413	70	1,049	30	3,462
1975	3,488	78	960	22	4,449	2,447	69	1,103	31	3,550
1976	3,695	79	982	21	4,677	2,430	69	1,080	31	3,510
1977	3,580	79	972	21	4,552	2,343	68	1,108	32	3,451
1978	3,534	78	997	22	4,531	2,301	68	1,103	32	3,404
1979	3,367	76	1,044	24	4,411	2,238	67	1,099	33	3,337
1980	3,348	77	976	23	4,323	2,263	69	1,017	31	3,280
1981	3,120	75	1,031	25	4,151	2,142	66	1,086	34	3,228
1982	3,161	75	1,067	25	4,228	2,111	66	1,095	34	3,206
1983	3,188	75	1,081	25	4,268	2,117	65	1,163	35	3,280
1984	3,138	75	1,072	25	4,209	2,125	64	1,189	36	3,314
1985/86	3,100	74	1,106	26	4,206	2,077	62	1,246	38	3,323
1986/87	3,057	73	1,135	27	4,192	2,160	63	1,253	37	3,413
1987/88	3,046	72	1,162	28	4,208	2,342	64	1,322	36	3,664
1988/89	3,016	72	1,158	28	4,174	2,390	64	1,349	36	3,738
1989/90	3,009	71	1,237	29	4,246	2,442	64	1,394	36	3,835
1990/91	3,005	71	1,216	29	4,222	2,448	64	1,390	36	3,838
1991/92	2,929	71	1,194	29	4,124	2,488	64	1,391	36	3,879
1992/93	2,897	71	1,180	29	4,077	2,515	65	1,349	35	3,864
1993/94	2,972	70	1,258	30	4,230	2,585	64	1,440	36	4,026
1994/95	3,037	71	1,269	29	4,306	2,650	65	1,428	35	4,078
1995/96	2,998	70	1,285	30	4,283	2,623	64	1,482	36	4,105
1996/97	3,006	70	1,295	30	4,301	2,638	64	1,503	36	4,141
1997/98	3,081	69	1,355	31	4,436	2,628	63	1,558	37	4,186
1998/99	3,060	68	1,450	32	4,510	2,642	62	1,590	38	4,232
1999/00	3,078	66	1,562	34	4,640	2,673	65	1,448	35	4,121
2000/01	3,207	65	1,706	35	4,913	2,659	64	1,504	36	4,163
2001/02	3,202	64	1,816	36	5,018	2,622	64	1,469	36	4,091
2002/03	3,254	65	1,790	35	5,044	2,616	66	1,335	34	3,951
2003/04	3,394	68	1,619 <sup>3</sup>	32	5,013	2,615	65	1,399	35	4,014
2004/05	3,519	69	1,603	31	5,122	2,614	66	1,335	34	3,949
<i>Percentage change over:</i>										
1 year	4		-1		2	0		-5		-2
10 years	16		26		19	-1		-7		-3
15 years	17		30		21	7		-4		3

1 Local bus revenue includes concessionary fare reimbursement from local authorities.

Source: PSV

2 Adjusted for general inflation using the GDP market price deflator.

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3 Revised to adjust for incomplete returns in 2003/04.

## **Annex A Annual Inquiry of PSV Operators: PSV Survey sampling frame and questionnaire design**

### **Sample design**

For the financial year 2004/05, the PSV survey was split into two parts. In the main survey an original sample of 1,631 bus and coach operators was selected from a register maintained by DfT from information held by Traffic Area Offices, of about 8,000 active bus and coach operators. The sample was stratified by size of operator, based on the number of vehicles they were licensed to run (the number of "discs"). Full details of the sampling process can be found in Annex B of the *Public Transport Statistics Bulletin GB: 2005 Edition*.

### **Supplementary Finance Survey**

The second part of the survey, covering income and expenditure information, was run after the main survey. Invitations to complete the survey were sent to the 144 largest operators, i.e. all those expected to carry 1 million or more local bus passengers. Many of these operators completed their form online.

Responses were received from 113 operators, a response rate of 78%. This was rather lower than the 94% response rate obtained from the same operators for the main survey.